MINUTES

OF THE STATE ELECTION BOARD AT ITS MEETING

April 21, 2011

The State Election Board met in a Special meeting at 5:00 p.m. in Room B-6 of the State Capitol Building. Advance notice of the meeting was performed by filing a written notice with the Secretary of State on April 14, 2011, at 8:51 a.m. A copy of the agenda is attached.

Meeting was called to order by Susan Turpen.

ROLL CALL: TOM PRINCE - Absent

SUSAN TURPEN - Present RAMON WATKINS - Present

BUSINESS CONDUCTED AT THE MEETING

- 1. BUSINESS CONDUCTED: Consideration and action regarding the minutes of the meeting held March 24, 2011. ACTION TAKEN: Mr. Watkins moved that the minutes of the meeting held on March 24, 2011, be approved. Ms. Turpen seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Turpen-aye; Mr. Watkins-aye. Motion passed, 2-0.
- 2. **BUSINESS CONDUCTED:** Consideration and action regarding the vacancy in the office of the Secretary of the Texas County Election Board. **ACTION TAKEN:** The Board acknowledged the resignation of Kimberly Sloat as the Secretary of the Texas County Election Board. (Resignation attached)
- 3. BUSINESS CONDUCTED: Consideration and action regarding the appointment of the Secretary of the Texas County Election Board. ACTION TAKEN: No Letter of appointment at this time.
- 4. BUSINESS CONDUCTED: Consideration and action regarding the appointment of the Democrat County Election Board members and alternates for the new terms beginning May 1, 2011 and ending April 30, 2015. ACTION TAKEN: Mr. Watkins moved to appoint Democrat County Election Board members and alternates for four-year terms beginning May 1, 2011 and ending April 30, 2015, as submitted. Ms. Turpen seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Turpen-aye; Mr. Watkins-aye. Motion passed, 2-0. (Nomination list attached)
- 5. BUSINESS CONDUCTED: Consideration and action regarding the appointment of the Republican County Election Board members and alternates for the new terms beginning May 1, 2011 and ending April 30, 2015. ACTION TAKEN: Ms. Turpen moved to appoint Republican County Election Board members and alternates for four-year terms beginning May 1, 2011 and ending April 30, 2015, as submitted. Mr. Watkins seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Turpen-aye; Mr. Watkins-aye. Motion passed, 2-0. (Nomination list attached)
- 6. BUSINESS CONDUCTED: Report from Secretary. ACTION TAKEN: Secretary Ziriax reported to the Board that a brief had been filed with the State Appellate Court regarding the State Question No. 755 and in another case the lawsuit regarding Independent voters. The Secretary then updated the Board on the Let the Troops Vote Act, and the current development of the new voting system.

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- 7. BUSINESS CONDUCTED: Consideration of future meetings. ACTION TAKEN: The Board will meet as needed.
- 8. BUSINESS CONDUCTED: Motion to Adjourn. ACTION TAKEN: Mr. Watkins moved to adjourn until the next meeting. Ms. Turpen seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Turpen-aye; Mr. Watkinsaye. Motion passed, 2-0.

State Election Board

TOM PRINCE, Chairman

SUSAN TURPEN, Vice Chairman

RAMON WATKINS, Member